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Mubarak: summit possible

ASWAN, Egypt, Jan. 20 (R)—Vice-president Hosni Mubarak said today another summit involving Egypt, Israel and the United States was a possibility if present efforts by U.S. Special Envoy, Alfred Atherton failed to break the deadlock over an Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty. Mr. Mubarak told reporters that Egypt's position on its talks with Israel remained unchanged. Mr. Atherton was expected in Cairo tomorrow, he said. But he added that a summit would require adequate preparation since neither President Carter nor President Anwar Sadat wanted such a meeting to fail. President Sadat would receive Mr. Atherton if necessary, depending on what he had to say, the Vice-president said.

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Nepal says it is being invaded

BL Jan. 20 (R)—Nepal said today it was being invaded by forces which had advanced 11 kms inside Ugandan west of Lake Victoria. Though Radio Uganda did not whose forces were involved, it quoted sources close to it as saying: "Uganda has no reason to fight a, but her provocation is intolerable." The radio reported here, said a whole company of Uganda's Simba (Lion) stationed along the border, had been overpowered in a battle. The enemy had this morning captured three which the radio named as Mutema, Kigarama and Kasese.

As clashes spread in Iran

homeiny to return home 'in a few days'

Jan. 20 (R)—Pro- and demonstrators have been clashing in several Iranian towns since the official radio said 12 people died in one town, the official radio said. Today, clashes occurred during the night in the central industrial area of Isfahan, the radio said. A number of people were also injured. The radio made no mention of troops being involved in the clashes. Today, clashes between the army and demonstrators left up to 15 killed in Isfahan, the radio said. It also reported clashes in southern oil centre of Ahwaz yesterday in the town of Laleh, but there were no immediate reports of casualties in those places. The official radio said today that Gen. Bograt Jafarian, Military Governor of Khuzestan province of which Ahwaz is capital, had been recalled to Tehran on the orders of Prime Minister Shapour Bakhtiari. Today's Tehran newspapers said the general, who has been the military governor most in the news in recent weeks because of regular shooting incidents involving troops in and around Ahwaz, would not be going back to the city. The provincial incidents, coupled with reports of rampaging by groups of soldiers fiercely loyal to the monarch in Ahwaz and Dezful after his departure, showed he is not without support. But, for the moment, Iran's political future largely depends on exiled Moslem spiritual leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeiny, 78, the focus of the street opposition which forced the Shah to leave. In Neauphle-le-Chateau, France, the Ayatollah said today he would return to Iran in a few days. In a statement sent to his followers, the Shi'ite Moslem leader said: "With the help of God, I will be among you after a few days." Aides had previously said Mr. Khomeiny might not return for several weeks and the latest message seemed to indicate an acceleration of his bid to take control of Iran. Officials said the French police guard on the Ayatollah had been reinforced because his entourage had received several death threats in the last 48 hours. Several callers, claiming to represent a committee for the defence of the Shah of Iran, had made threats on the religious chief's life, police said. The Ayatollah renewed his appeals for calm after yesterday's massive peaceful demonstrations throughout Iran which he said he regarded as a referendum in favour of the Islamic republic.

King stresses need for Arab strength



AMMAN, Jan. 20 (JNA)—His Majesty King Hussein today inaugurated the Council on International Affairs. He was accompanied by Her Majesty Queen Noor. An open discussion took place between His Majesty and members of the Council during which the King reviewed the political situation in the region and explained the various developments which have affected the Middle East. The King said that Jordan has had a weighty role in constructing Arab solidarity, it is part of one

strength and regain the position it once enjoyed. King Hussein stressed the need for building up Arab strength in all aspects of life. His Majesty stressed the importance of constructive dialogue and effective handling of public affairs in an atmosphere of freedom and responsibility. The President of the Council on International Affairs, Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharaf, greeted His Majesty the King and Her Majesty the Queen on arriving. He said King Hussein's leadership has set an example in withstanding angry, desperate currents.

The Council on International Affairs was established on Nov. 15, 1977. The Council is a private organization that answers to no government or official agency, inside or outside Jordan. Membership is held by Jordanians, but associate membership can be granted to non-Jordanians. Honorary membership is bestowed by a resolution of the board. The council includes a financial and administration committee, a foreign affairs committee, a dialogue committee and a studies and publications committee.

Sadat raps USSR, PLO

KHARTOUM, Jan. 20 (R)—Egyptian President Anwar Sadat today attacked the Soviet Union, accusing it of hatching conspiracies in the Middle East.

"We are alert and ready to confront all these conspiracies and will not in all this ask for the protection of the U.S.A.," Mr. Sadat told a joint session of the Egyptian and Sudanese parliaments.

The session will study plans for Sudanese-Egyptian integration. "We in both Egypt and Sudan have our bitter experience with the Soviet Union," Mr. Sadat said. "Today the Soviet Union hatches conspiracies in the dark, not for the liberation of the Arab land or the return of Palestinian rights, but to create axes, stir trouble and threaten the security of the region."

Mr. Sadat said Moscow makes statements supporting the rights of the Arabs. "But these statements are not even worth the price of the paper they're written on," he added. "I warn, in the name of Egypt and Sudan, any hand which works in the dark to achieve ambitions in the Horn of Africa or the Gulf or any other place, or to exploit events taking place in the area close to us or surrounding us."

This appeared to be a reference to the present troubles in Iran. President Sadat held talks this week in Aswan, Egypt, with the Shah of Iran shortly after the monarch left his homeland.

Mr. Sadat told the Egyptian and Sudanese legislators: "If some believe they are able to achieve foreign domination over any Arab place or commit aggression against the rights of any Arab people and their land and wealth...we are saying with all determination that this is not acceptable and will never be accepted by us in Egypt and Sudan."

Mr. Sadat arrived in Khartoum today to participate in the special parliamentary session and to have talks with Sudanese President Jaafar Nimeiri. President Nimeiri told the parliament that the final aim of the integration plans now being studied was full unity between Egypt and Sudan.

President Sadat expelled some 20,000 Soviet advisers in 1972. The year relations between Cairo and Moscow began a process of deterioration culminating in Egypt's cancellation four years later of its friendship treaty with the Soviet Union. Sudan expelled its Soviet advisers in 1977.

Mr. Sadat also referred today to Egypt's peace talks with Israel. The talks were suspended last month because "we have not and will not accept anything less than self-rule for the Palestinians and their rights to their land," the Egyptian President said.

This peace should restore Palestinian rights as well as giving back Arab land occupied in the 1967



ment," he said. Mr. Sadat said: "It is our firm belief that peace cannot be separated from the achievement of Palestinian rights."

He said the Palestinian struggle was not in need of millions of dollars, but did need to end its disputes and take some difficult decisions.

In a warning to the world's rich countries, Mr. Sadat said they should contribute to the economic progress of the Third World.

"Otherwise there will be an imbalance that will sweep them away before sweeping us away," he said.

"That is why I have asked the U.S.A., Japan and West Germany to participate in our investment. Whoever wishes to contribute from the rich Arab states is also welcome," he said.

Mr. Sadat said he had asked Washington to sell Egyptian arms "so that we may carry out our responsibilities in defending Arab and African rights against conspiracies of expansionism."

President Sadat reiterated that any aggression against Sudan would be considered an aggression against Egypt.

Egypt and Sudan, linked by the Nile River, agreed in a programme to work towards integration five years ago, and established several joint ventures, mainly in agriculture and irrigation.

But, while the ultimate goal is unity, neither President Sadat nor President Nimeiri appears to be in a hurry for this.

Official Egyptian sources said that the two leaders were also expected to discuss the latest Middle East peace moves.

President Nimeiri was likely to revive attempts to heal the rift in Arab ranks which followed Mr. Sadat's November 1977 trip to Jerusalem, the sources said.

The Arab League last year set up a reconciliation committee chaired by President Nimeiri that still officially exists.

The Egyptian sources said Mr. Sadat would brief President Nimeiri on his talks with the Shah of Iran and the impact of instability in Iran on the region.

Israel to continue strikes in Lebanon

UNITED NATIONS, Jan. 20 (R)—Israel told the Security Council last night that it would continue to hit at Palestinian bases in southern Lebanon while taking care not to fire at the U.N. peace-keeping force there.

Israeli Ambassador Yehuda Blum was speaking after the Council extended the mandate of the U.N. Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) for another five months and rebuked Israel for continuing to help Lebanese rightist militias that have been harassing the U.N. operation. The resolution was adopted by 12 votes to none against, with the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia abstaining and China not taking part in the voting.

The text made no mention of a raid carried out by Israeli troops less than 24 hours earlier against Palestinian bases in southern Lebanon, but the attack was referred to repeatedly in the course of the debate. Lebanese U.N. representative Ghassan Tuani said his country lodged the strongest protest against this "inadmissible act," which was carefully timed to take place while the council was trying to salvage peace and security in the area.

It was in the wake of a much bigger Israeli operation last March which he has demanded. He urged his supporters to cooperate with the army and security forces in keeping order and advised the armed forces to ensure calm in the country. Mr. Khomeiny issued a strong warning to members of Iran's parliament not to attend the legislature's sessions and to give up their seats. The Shi'ite chief issued the same warning to members of the Regency Council, set up by the Shah to exercise the monarch's powers in his absence. Mr. Khomeiny congratulated his followers for the success of yesterday's protests.

The Ayatollah said those responsible for plundering and plotting against the Iranian people had escaped from the country but he said they would be forced to compensate the Iranian nation at the earliest possible opportunity. Meanwhile, the Iraqi Foreign Minister, Mr. Sa'doun Hammadi was quoted today as welcoming the new Iranian government's policies towards the Gulf and Israel.

In an interview with the weekly newspaper Arab and International An-Nahar, Dr. Hammadi commented on foreign policy statements made by Iranian Premier Dr. Bakhtiari.

The Iraqi minister said: "The latest statements by Dr. Bakhtiari meet with satisfaction on our part, particularly when he says that Iran should not play the role of policeman in the Gulf and that it will sever relations with the Zionist entity and not sell oil to Israel or South Africa."

Iraq's attitude of not interfering in the internal affairs of other countries had not changed. The Soviet Communist Party newspaper Pravda today accused the United States of plotting a military takeover in Iran and renewed a warning that Moscow was closely watching events there.

that UNIFIL was set up to check on the Israeli army's withdrawal and to help restore the Lebanese government's authority in the region. When the Israelis pulled out last June they handed over control of a strip of border territory to the right-wing militias, whose continued presence has prevented the full deployment of UNIFIL. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim told the Council last night that the latest Israeli raid, directed against targets north of the Litani river, did not take place in territory under the control of UNIFIL, which suffered no casualties.

But he said the U.N. had spotted the movement of Israeli armoured vehicles, as well as helicopter overflights, indicating some form of ground attack by helicopter-borne troops with artillery support from the enclaves. The Israeli ambassador said the Palestine Liberation Organisation was using UNIFIL as a shield from behind which it emerged to launch attacks inside Israel.

Ambassador Tuani accused Israel of obstructing international peace-keeping in continued defiance of U.N. resolutions and of wilfully attempting to use UNIFIL as a cover "to perpetuate its aggression against Lebanon and the practical occupation of Lebanese territory."

He also charged Israel with "trying to establish unimpeded, vicarious occupation of southern Lebanon...through multineers and mercenaries." The Council resolution deplored the "lack of co-operation particularly on Israel's part" with UNIFIL, including Israel's assistance to the militias. The Council reaffirmed its determination, in the event of continued obstruction, to "examine practical ways and means" to secure full implementation of U.N. decisions. It did not spell out any specific steps.

It also urged U.N. members to "bring their influence to bear" on those concerned. The Lebanese government was invited to draw up, in consultation with Mr. Waldheim, a "phased programme of activities to be carried out over the next three months" to promote the restoration of its authority in southern Lebanon.

This element of the resolution was emphasised by also being referred to in an agreed statement read out by Council President Donald Mills of Jamaica.

The council is to meet again in three months to assess the situation.

'Only uncracked nut'

PNC discusses representation

DAMASCUS, Jan. 20 (R)—Palestinian leaders met today to try to work out a new system of representation for the 15-member Palestine Liberation Organisation Executive Committee, PLO sources said.

The discussions were part of a 10-day meeting of the Palestinian National Council (PNC), a 301-strong parliament-in-exile, which began on Tuesday.

"This question (of representation) has been the only nut that has not been cracked so far, the sources said. Fatah, the major commando organisation, is believed to be seeking a third of the seats on the committee. It is currently represented by two members, including PLO Chief Yasser Arafat.

One idea being floated by several PNC members was to expand the committee's membership to 18, the sources said. The leaders were also discussing whether minor commando organ-

isations should be admitted to the committee, they said. The PNC conference has split up into separate committees to discuss questions of politics, finances, national unity, occupied territories and military and social affairs.

The political committee was expected to discuss the situation in South Lebanon in addition to PLO relations with the outside world.

The social committee will tackle, apart from improving the lot of the Palestinians, relations with the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA).

The committees will submit their reports to the PNC within the next two days, the sources said. A full conference meeting which was expected to be held today was postponed until tomorrow while Mr. Arafat and other leading Palestinians went to greet the former Greek Catholic Arch-

bishop of Jerusalem, Hilarion Capucci, who arrived here from Venezuela early this morning. It is the archbishop's first visit to an Arab capital since he was released from an Israeli jail in November, 1977, after serving two years of a 12-year prison sentence on charges of smuggling arms to Palestinian commandos in occupied Arab territories.

Archbishop Capucci, who was unanimously elected an honorary member of the PNC last Tuesday is expected to address the conference tomorrow. He was to have arrived last night but sources close to him said his plane was delayed in Rome because he called on Pope John Paul to ask for permission to come to Damascus. His release from jail after the

WORLD NEWS ROUNDUP

ign students go on hunger strike in Karachi

CH, Jan. 20 (R)—Forty Iranian and 20 Palestinian students began an indefinite hunger strike to protest against the arrest of a Palestinian student. A student leader told reporters that baton-swinging police charged on Thursday as they staged a silent protest in front of the consulate where in support of anti-Shah student demonstrators arrested in Lahore.

sbom delays China relations 'indefinitely'

ON, Jan. 20 (R)—The establishment of diplomatic relations between China and Portugal has been delayed indefinitely, the London weekly Express said today. Express said the last snag was caused by Portuguese insistence that the document be amended to clarify the future of Macao, the Portuguese colony on the Chinese mainland.

Gerald Ford visits Saudi Arabia

DH, Jan. 20 (R)—Former U.S. President Gerald Ford is in Riyadh today on a visit to Saudi Arabia during his East tour, the official Saudi Press Agency reported. Mr. Ford has already visited Egypt and Syria where he discussed the East situation.

omyko, Pope Paul to meet on Wednesday

Jan. 20 (R)—Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko met Pope John Paul during an official visit to Italy next week, sources said today. The meeting, expected on Wednesday, marks the first major contact between the Vatican and the Polish-born Pope since he was elected in October. Pope John Paul II, who is not in itself a major departure but has far-reaching effects on relations between the Roman Catholic Church and communist governments. Pope John XXIII, Paul VI, both met Mr. Gromyko and achieved a notable agreement in these relations.

Ar, Toure discuss closer ties, world issues

DAD, Jan. 20 (R)—Presidents Ahmed Hassan Al Bakr of Iraq and Ahmed Sekou Toure of Guinea had talks in Baghdad today on closer bilateral relations and Arab and international issues. The Iraq News Agency reported. Mr. Sekou Toure arrived today for a short official visit at President Bakr's invitation.

Spies arrested in West Germany

RUHE, West Germany, Jan. 20 (R)—Several suspected spies have been arrested in West Germany following an action of an East German secret service officer two nights ago. A public prosecutor's office said today. The defector, a first ant in the Ministry of State Security, whose name was not disclosed, was arrested in West Berlin with his wife, child and a number of important documents, a spokesman said. The spokesman did not say how many people had been arrested, but he said arrests could be expected over the weekend.

Saudis watch F-15 demonstration

IS MSHEIT, Saudi Arabia, Jan. 20 (R)—High ranking officials today watched a demonstration by a squadron of F-15 jet fighters here, the official Saudi Press Agency said. The demonstration was the third in the Kingdom where a demonstration by the highly-sophisticated aircraft was earlier this week at Riyadh and watched by First Deputy Crown Prince Fahd. The second demonstration was in on Thursday. Saudi Arabia has purchased 60 F-15s at a \$2.5-billion and delivery is not scheduled to begin before

Juge North Sea oil terminal inaugurated

OM VOE, Shetland Islands, Jan. 20 (R)—A huge oil terminal designed to handle over half the nation's North Sea production was officially opened today on this remote northern out-lying British Isles. Sullom Voe (it means "Fjord in the Sun") is the world's largest oil terminal. When fully completed it will boast its own airport, power, 15 huge storage tanks and jetties for 300,000-ton super

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Palestinian-Americans rally behind cause

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DAMASCUS, Jan. 20 -- "Palestinians in the United States must organize," the treasurer of the National Association of Arab Americans (NAAA), Mr. Jawad George, told the Jordan Times after yesterday morning's session of the Palestinian National Council (PNC).

Mr. George, whose family roots are in Ramallah, is an attorney in Washington, D.C., and has been attending the PNC sessions here as a representative of Palestinian-Americans.

Mr. George, who addressed the PNC on the issue of Palestinian-American relations with the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), said he was "very encouraged" by the response.

There is an increasing realization that "PLO - Palestinian-American relations are important," he said.

The dilemma in which Palestinian-Americans find themselves is: are they Americans first or are they Palestinians who happen to be living in America? Some Palestinian-American leaders have tried to define their roles as members of both groups, but Mr. George, who is a Georgetown University law school graduate, says: "I frankly don't have an answer."

Of the two and a half million Arab-Americans, about two million, or 80 per cent, are Lebanese and only 60,000 are Palestinians, he said. Much effort is now being directed at politicising them, Mr. George said.

On Feb. 2-3, a newly formed group consisting of representatives of all sizable Palestinian communities in America, will meet in Chicago.

Altogether, ten organisations are represented in the 20-member group; there are four members at large and six members of the Palestinian National Council who are residents of the U.S.

The February meeting will set itself two tasks, Mr. George said: first to act as a clearing house for all Palestinian organisations in the U.S. and second to plan for the "founding congress" of a new Palestinian organisation in the U.S. Mr. George is one of the organisers of the meeting.

The guiding principle of the new group is that "the PLO is the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people," Mr. George said.

Minister of labour attends meeting in Doha

DOHA, Jan. 20 (JR)--Jordanian Labour Minister Issam Al Ajlouni attended the opening ceremony today of a three-day conference of Gulf state social affairs and labour ministers who are discussing joint plans for social and labour subjects in the region. Mr. Ajlouni is visiting Qatar to discuss bilateral co-operation in labour fields.

Officials said the main subjects on the conference's agenda included the establishment of two regional centres, one for social research and training and the second for social welfare and labour planning.

The conference will also discuss the creation of ministerial council for labour and social affairs in the Gulf and its various bodies.

The meeting is attended by Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Iraq, the United Arab Emirates and Oman.

All groups of Palestinians living in the Arab countries are represented in the Palestinian-American community, he pointed out. "I have a good feeling," he said of the forthcoming organising effort. "I think we're going to build a constituency."

Two other representatives of NAAA, Mr. Mike Saah, a Palestinian-American businessman from Washington, and Mr. Khaled Kamal, a businessman working in Jordan, joined in the discussion.

Mr. Saah, who is the NAAA's liaison man with the U.S. Congress, said: "We are fighting Zionist lies and myths" in America. "The battle which Palestinians are waging in America is a political one, and one which they are doing effectively." He reaffirmed that the NAAA supports the PLO as the sole representative of the Palestinian people.

NAAA has already fought battles in court. "We sued the State Department for the Israeli misuse of the Military Export Control Act, during the March invasion of Lebanon," Mr. George said.

Another legal battle was over the issue of discrimination. Marriott Hotels, a large American chain with extensive interests in Arab countries--including Jordan--was taken to court for allegedly discriminating against Arab-Americans, among them an Egyptian who had proper training and credentials but was refused a position higher than a waiter's assistant in a Marriott hotel.

The legal actions were carried out under the Civil Rights Act, Mr. George said. The settlements reached were highly unusual in that Marriott made extensive concessions. First, a financial settlement was reached between Marriott and each complainant and second, Marriott permitted NAAA to interview each complainant in the presence of a Marriott representative to settle each discrimination case.

Mr. George, who is regarded in Washington as the coordinator of legal counsel for Arab groups, plans to stop over in other Arab countries before returning to Washington.

McElhiney: No ration cuts for 3 months

UNRWA to spend \$2.71 m to improve schools

AMMAN, Jan. 20 (J.T.)--Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Hassan Ibrahim and the Commissioner-General of UNRWA Thomas McElhiney discussed here today the agency's financial deficit and the demands presented by UNRWA employees.

Mr. Ibrahim, who is also Minister of Development and Reconstruction, asked that the agency not reduce its services or rations given to refugees. They agreed that UNRWA should continue to distribute normal rations for the next three months.

The commissioner-general said he will continue to exert further efforts to get more aid to UNRWA so that it can overcome its deficit for the current years.

The meeting was attended by the ministry under-secretary and UNRWA Field Officer in Jordan John Tanner.

Meanwhile in Vienna, UNRWA announced plans to improve unsatisfactory school-rooms and health centres.

A press statement released today said that a total of \$2.71 million will be used for the improvement programme, made possible by special contributions from the Netherlands, Saudi Arabia and the United Kingdom.

Most of the expenditure, \$1.76 million, will go into improving UNRWA school premises in the Middle East which are showing signs of age. In addition 107 new classrooms will be constructed. Most of UNRWA's 617 schools have to share buildings in two shifts of pupils daily because of the shortage of suitable buildings.

In the past 10 years the UNRWA school population has increased by 117,317 children to 326,187 for the current school year. This growth will continue, and make even more classrooms and teachers necessary.

Because of the need to expand its services to keep up with the increasing population of registered Palestine refugees (now 1.76 million) UNRWA hired an additional staff of 231 persons in 1978, bringing the total to 16,231. Staff costs form the greater part of UNRWA's expenditure. The

agency has made no proposal to reduce the salaries now enjoyed by staff, and has no intention of doing so.

Expenditure on education services increased from \$65.4 million in 1977 to \$77.2 million in 1978 and is budgeted at \$86.8 million in the current year. Similarly, expenditure on health services

increased from \$20 million in 1977 to \$22.4 million in 1978. However, the levels of expenditure to be attained only if contributions to UNRWA from governments match the agency's programme time refugees.

Coming & Going

Civil aviation delegation leaves for the Ivory Coast

AMMAN, Jan. 20 (JNA)--A delegation from the Department of Civil Aviation led by Director General Sharif Ghazi Rakan left for the Ivory Coast today for a week-long visit and talks with officials there on reaching a bilateral civil aviation agreement. The agreement would enable Alia, the Royal Jordanian Airline to operate flights between Amman and Abidjan, a department spokesman said. The delegation includes the director of air transport and also several officials from Alia.

Agricultural delegation leaves for Pakistan

AMMAN, Jan. 20 (JNA)--A three-man delegation from the Ministry of Agriculture left for Pakistan today for a ten-day visit and talks with officials there on ways to strengthen bilateral co-operation in the agricultural field. During the visit the delegation will look into modern agricultural methods adopted in Pakistan and will tour agricultural projects, head of the delegation and director of the ministry's agricultural production, Dr. Mohammad Sa'id Darweesh, said in a statement before departure.

Cooperatives head to attend meeting in N. Yemen

AMMAN, Jan. 20 (JNA)--Director General of the Jordanian Cooperatives Organisation Hassan Al Nabulsi leaves here tomorrow for the Yemen

Arab Republic to attend a fourth general conference of cooperatives which starts on Monday. Today Mr. Al Nabulsi discussed with the Yemeni ambassador in Amman ways of co-operation in the field of cooperatives, exchange of information and the holding of joint training courses by the two countries. Ten Yemeni officials took a six-month course in Amman last September.

Turkish transport delegation to visit Jordan

AMMAN, Jan. 20 (JNA)--A Turkish transport delegation is due here sometime next week for a several-day visit to look into revision with officials of the Transport Ministry of the land transport agreements between the two countries.

Moroccan minister to visit Jordan

AMMAN, Jan. 20 (JNA)--Moroccan Minister of Trade and Industry Ali Al Ragha arrived here today on a four-day visit to the Jordanian Minister of Industry and Commerce. The aim of the minister's visit is to discuss the commercial and economic relations between the two countries and to sign an agreement during the visit by His Highness Crown Prince Hassan last May.

Unity yes, but...

Moves towards political and economic integration now under way on the eastern wing of the Arab nation are matched by the unification talks now being held in Khartoum between Egypt and Sudan.

These two countries have been linked since the beginning of time by that great physical backbone, the Nile. For millennia they have shared history, culture and mutual interdependency: they are united by both their Arab and African identities.

They have floated the idea of unity before--in the proposed "Federation of Arab Republics" with Libya in 1969-72--but have since come to share an abhorrence of what they see as Libya's threat, under Colonel Qadhafi, to their stability. And they tend to associate their stability with the protection of the Red Sea trade corridor (all the more important to Egypt since the reopening of the Suez Canal) and with the maintenance of the East-West power balance in the Middle East. That balance, they feel, has been tipped in the past few years, by the emergence of pro-Soviet regimes in Ethiopia (which is one of the sources of the Nile) and South Yemen (which overlooks the Red Sea entrance). Accordingly, both Presidents Sadat and Nimeiry have tightened their relationships with the West, particularly the United States, while stepping up their drive for unification.

Sudan engages the imagination of anyone who has looked at its vast natural and human resources: it could indeed be the "bread basket" of the Middle East or Africa. A closer association with Egypt, with its huge supplies of manpower and brainpower, cannot but advance those aspirations. Nor is there anything in the spirit or logic of pan-Arabism to deny these two neighbours their wish to form a relationship from which each would benefit.

But Egypt, through its perilous pursuit of a one-sided treaty with Israel, risks alienation from an Arab family which, if a treaty is signed, faces the unwelcome prospect of another war. That alienation, as well as a possible Arab economic and diplomatic embargo once Egypt starts trading and dealing with the Zionist occupying power, will automatically reflect as well on Sudan, which depends on generous aid from Arab countries who have opposed the Camp David process.

Sudan deserves better. And so does Egypt. Both countries are an integral part of the Arab experience. Their unity moves are in accordance with the current strengthening of the broad Arab front. But unity within the new Arab consensus requires a repudiation of the scheme, in which Egypt has so far colluded, to undermine that consensus and weaken that unity. The Arab World needs these two brothers to join in, not seal themselves off from, the great search for a just and peaceful solution, which can only be arrived at from a position of strength and solidarity.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

The latest Israeli aggression against south Lebanon Friday proves categorically that Israel is not only not taking the peace process seriously but is also flouting the United Nations and its peacekeeping forces in the area. AL RA'I says in its editorial Saturday.

The newspaper says the immense Israeli land, air and sea attack emphasises the extent of Israel's military preparations to mount similar assaults in any place and at any time of its choosing. "Thus we find that the Arab area is being forced into the battleground of 'might is right' where the party who possesses this might can impose his will by political or military means. As to the logic of the weaklings who seek the right of justice and peaceful means, it is a discredited and paralysed logic aimed at justifying slothfulness and hurrying one's head in the sand."

Al Ra'i urges the Arabs to take up the military option imposed upon them by Israel since 1947, which is the only way for them to assert their existence and future destiny.

On the same subject, AL DUSTOUR says that the Israeli aggression against south Lebanon Friday and the threats by Israel's defence minister to continue striking at south Lebanon as long as the commandos continue their operations against Israel from there, emphasise the conviction that Israel has failed to learn from past experiences since it started its revengeful operations in the south several years ago. These operations, the newspaper says, have proved beyond any doubt their failure to intimidate the Palestinian people or compel them to acquiesce in their occupied land. On the contrary the wave of resistance is now assuming greater proportions with time. But Israel doesn't want to understand that surrender cannot be imposed on the Palestinians by force of arms.

Reviewing what it calls the abortive Israeli assaults on south Lebanon that resulted only in disasters for all parties concerned, the newspaper says it is time that Israel understood the impossibility of eliminating or taming the Palestinians into surrender.

WHAT'S GOING ON

French Film

The French Cultural Centre presents a film entitled "Vipere au poing" adapted from a novel by Herve Bazin. The film starts at 7:30 p.m. and replaces the scheduled film "Souvenirs d'en France."

Documentary Films

The Spanish Cultural Centre is showing two documentaries on Monday at 6:30 p.m. The first is "Aqui Espana" (in English), and the second is "Noche en los Jardines de Espana" which is the title of one of Manuel de Falla's musical works.

Jordanian-N.Korean trade talks begin

AMMAN, Jan. 20 (JNA)--Talks for boosting trade exchange between Jordan and the People's Democratic Republic of Korea started at the Ministry of Industry and Commerce here today. Jordan's delegation was led by the ministry Under-secretary Dr. Hashem Dabbas and the Korean delegation by the Deputy Minister of Trade Mr. Ho Gyong. The talks aim at achieving a trade balance between the two countries, granting further trade facilities for the exchange of goods between them and the participation in trade fairs that are held in both countries. Also today, the delegation met with the Minister of Industry and Commerce Dr. Nijmeddin Dajani for talks on economic and trade relations between the two countries. The Korean delegation which started its four-day visit to Jordan yesterday will be taken on a tour of Jordanian factories, the phosphate mines at Al Hassa and will meet with Jordanian businessmen.

Pan-Arab sports council to be set up

AMMAN, Jan. 20 (JNA)--Arab Ministers of Culture and Youth decided at their three-day conference which ended in Baghdad last Thursday to set up a permanent executive council of seven members to supervise sports activities in the Arab world. Minister of Culture and Youth Sharif Fawwaz Sharaf said here today. He told the Jordan News Agency that the council members include Jordan, Iraq, the United Arab Emirates, Tunisia, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Libya. The ministers also decided that the fund for Arab youth activities and sports will be \$45 million. This, he said, will be paid up over a period of 14 years with \$25 million due within the first four years. The fund is to be based in Baghdad. At their meetings the ministers also endorsed the statute of their ministerial council and approved the courses for sports trainers which will start in Baghdad on February 15, Sharif Fawwaz said.

Pharmaceutical meeting begins in Amman

AMMAN, Jan. 20 (JNA)--The higher committee for Arab pharmaceutical affairs started a three-day meeting here today. Taking part in the meetings are representatives of Jordan, Egypt, Iraq, Bahrain, Kuwait and Tunisia. Minister of Health Abdul Ra'ouf Al Rawabdeh opened the meetings with a call for co-operation among Arab pharmaceutical institutions to lay down a unified policy for production and manufacturing of medicine. During the meetings the committee will discuss among other things the marketing of Arab medicinal products, control measures imposed on imports of medicine, Arab boycott measures against firms dealing with Israel and the working out of a unified policy for the production and marketing of Arab medicinal products.

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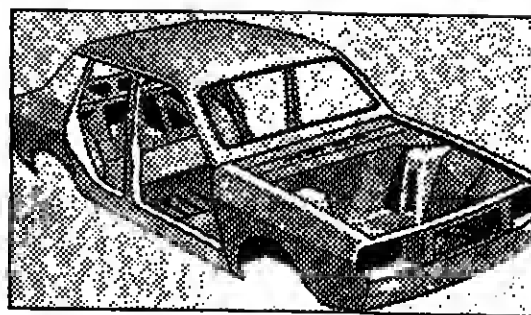
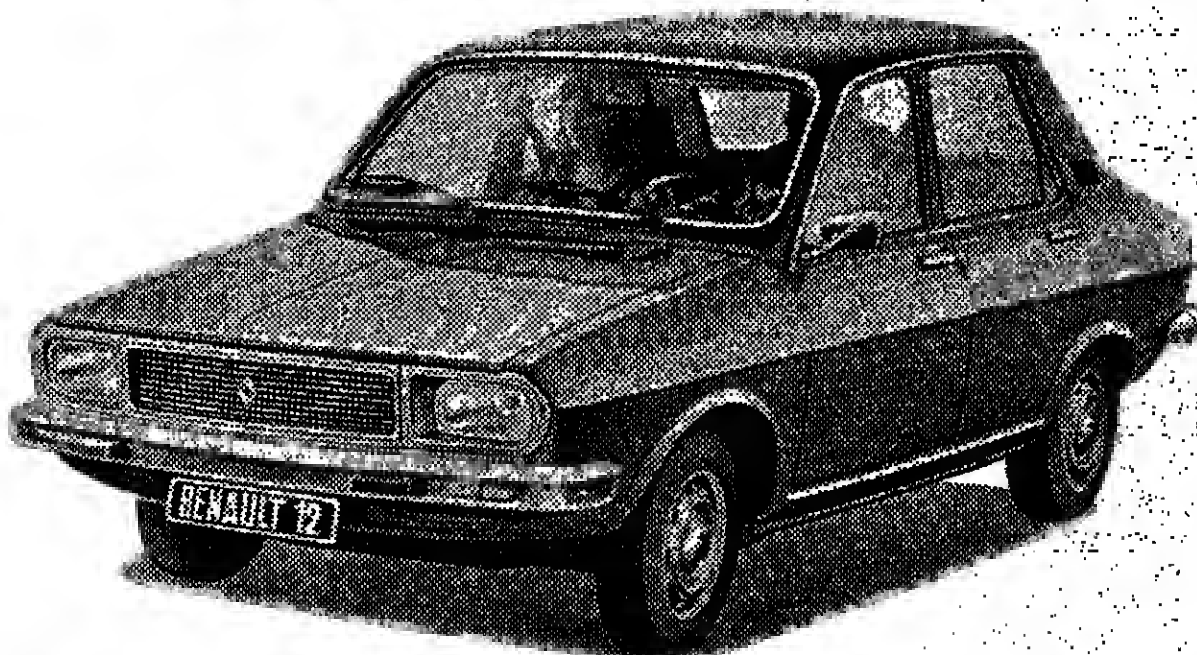
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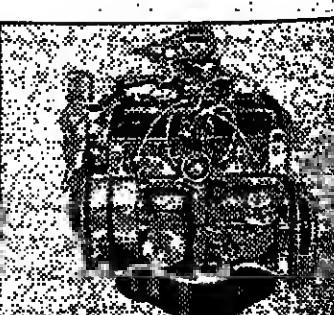
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Ministry of Awqaf plans 2 high-rise JD 4 m. commercial centres in Amman

By Alan Martiny
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — The Ministry of Awqaf recently embarked on a major building programme aimed at utilising some of its undeveloped real estate holdings to supply the country with much needed office, residential and parking space. The programme involves construction of two commercial complexes in the downtown business district of Amman and an office building in Ajlun.

The commercial complex to be built at Hay Al Hashimi near Amman Municipality will consist of three parts. Mr. Abdul Rahman Hashem, Director of Construction for the Ministry of Awqaf, told the Jordan Times.

First, there will be three basement floors covering the entire site area which is about 5,460 square metres. The second and third basements have been allocated for car parking with a capacity for 450 cars. The first basement will be used as a central storage area.

Above ground there will be two low-rise buildings, three stories each, with the ground floor and mezzanine housing the shopping centre. The other two floors will provide office space for banks and agencies.

The third part of the project provides for a 19-storey high-rise tower, 70 metres tall, for office and residential use.

The complex will have a total area of 32,547 square metres and will be centrally heated.

The design of the complex, being carried out by Diran and Bitar Consultants and Spectrum Engineering Consultants, is expected to be completed in about six months after which invitations for tenders will be issued.

"Construction should begin around the end of this year and, we're hoping, will be completed in about two and a half years," Mr. Hashem said. "A definite timetable will be set once the designs have been completed."

The complex, estimated to cost about JD 4 million, will be financed by a commercial bonds issue through the Jeddah-based Islamic Development Bank, which is to raise JD 2 million, and a public bond issue through the Jordan Islamic Bank, which is to raise another JD 2 million, Mr. Hashem said.

The bonds, called "income bonds", represent a new concept in financing here. Unlike a normal bond, for which an investor receives a fixed interest rate on the

value of bonds purchased, the buyer of the "income bonds" gets a share of the profits generated by the commercial complex. The bond issue is expected to be a ten-year one, with a grace period of two years to cover the time required to build the complex.

Mr. Diran Voskerichian, architect and head of Diran and Bitar Consultants, said that the complex would be a landmark in the heart of Amman but would also "blend homogeneously with the character of local oriental architecture."

A second commercial complex is being planned in the downtown area between King Faisal and Safat As-Sail streets. The site is now occupied by the fruit and vegetable market.

"There is one problem with this project though," Mr. Hashem noted. "Part of the property is owned by the ministry, but a few sections are owned by private citizens. The ministry is now negotiating with the land owners in order to acquire the rest of the land."

But just in case, the ministry had the complex designed in two stages: the first and main part on property owned by the ministry, the second on land still under negotiation.

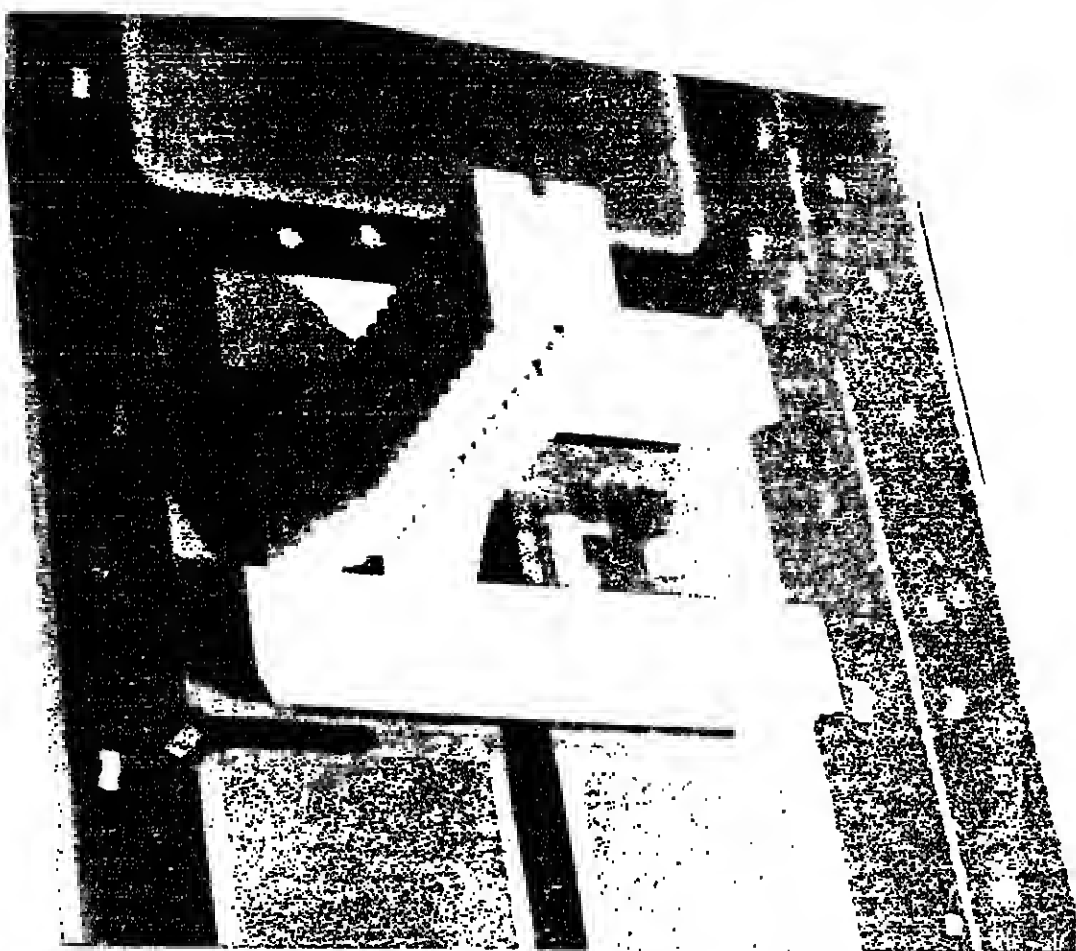
The first stage covers an area of 2,300 square metres, while the second part adds an additional 900 square metres.

Similar to the first complex, this will have a triple basement for car parking, a ground floor and mezzanine housing a shopping centre and 11 floors for office use. The total area of the building will be 20,897 square metres.

The entire project will cost about JD 4 million, of which JD 500,000 has already been provided through a Housing Bank loan. The remaining JD 3.5 million will be raised through a bond issue.

Designs for the complex, which are being done by the consulting firms of Rasim Badran Consultants and Laith Shbeilat in joint venture should be completed in about nine months.

Mr. Hashem said the vegetable market would have to be moved. The ministry is deciding this



A scale model of the commercial complex the Ministry of Awqaf is planning to build near the Municipality Building in downtown Amman.

month what to do with the tenants, whether to compensate them and by how much.

The third project belong undertaken by the ministry is for a five-story office building along the Corniche (sea front road) in Ajlun. But until additional funds can be secured, only three floors will be completed.

This centre will cover an area of

2,137 square metres. The ground level will contain shops, the second and third levels will be for office use.

The cost of the first stage of the project, JD 495,000, has been covered by a Housing Bank loan. Amer Engineering Consultants have designed the centre and the building is expected to be completed in 400 days. "Work starts

next week," Mr. Hashem said. One of the main reasons for the ministry's investment in these projects has been to develop lands which have been left vacant. The ministry receives a great deal of land from charities.

The income accrued from the commercial complexes will also cover the majority of the ministry's needs, lessening the burden on the government budget.

AMMAN STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

NAME OF COMPANY	Par Value	Volume Traded	Last Buying Offer	Last Selling Offer	Closing Price
Jordan Petroleum Co.	JD 5,000	3,310	6,560	6,600	6,560
Jordan Cement Factories	JD 10,000	500	14,300	—	14,300
Arab Pharmaceutical Co.	JD 5,000	168	16,800	17,000	16,800
Housing Bank	JD 1,000	1,575	—	1,080	1,050
Dar Aldawa Development and Investment Co.	JD 1,000	914	1,810	1,850	1,800
General Mining Co.	JD 1,000	789	0,940	0,950	0,950
Jordan Electricity Co.	JD 1,000	2,894	1,350	1,360	1,350
Jordan Ceramic Industries	JD 1,000	2,140	0,940	0,950	0,930
Arab Aluminium Co.	JD 1,000	93	0,910	0,930	0,930
Jordan Tanning Co.	JD 5,000	171	8,550	8,950	8,550
Jordan National Bank	JD 5,000	2,145	7,150	7,250	7,150
Arab Bank	JD 10,000	3,300	66,000	—	66,000
Jerusalem Insurance Co.	JD 1,000	2,100	—	—	2,100
Jordan Spinning and Weaving Co.	JD 1,000	375	0,700	0,780	0,750
Arab Chemical Detergents Industries Co.	JD 1,000	1,010	—	1,030	1,010

Total volume traded, Saturday, Jan. 22: JD 22,749
Total number of shares traded: 11,913

NAME OF COMPANY	Par Value	Volume Traded	Number traded	Year of maturity	Selling Price
Government Development Bonds	JD 5,000	618	120	1979	5,160
	JD 5,000	407	80	1980	5,090

Total volume traded: JD 1,025

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Cost of new airport may reach JD 70 m.

Ami G. Khouri
Special to the Jordan Times

Jan. 20 — The total cost of the new Queen Alia International Airport now being built in Amman may reach JD 70 million, according to a report by the Jordanian Ministry of Transport and Communications.

The report, which was prepared by a committee headed by the Minister of Transport and Communications, Mr. Hani Al Hashemi, said that the cost of the airport would be about JD 70 million, including the cost of the runway, taxiway, and other facilities.

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Jordan Times here yesterday. The airport project officials said the completion date is still expected to be in 1981, and a city terminal in Amman is being "seriously considered", as is a new hotel to be located at the airport site thirty kilometres south of Amman, at Zizya.

The designers of the airport forecast it would handle a total of some 2.6 million international and domestic passengers annually by 1985, rising to some eight million annual passengers by the year 2000. Cargo handling is expected to be 67,000 metric tons a year by 1985, rising to some 427,000 tons annually by the year 2000.

This compares to 906,000 passengers handled at Amman's existing airport during 1977, the last year for which complete statistics are available.

Three sentenced for possession of hashish

AMMAN, Jan. 20 (JNA)—The military governor general has endorsed the sentence of five years hard labour passed by the military tribunal on Mohammad Mustafa Jaber and Musa Hussein Abdullah, and one year imprisonment on Siham Abdul Hafeez Salem.

The three were sentenced for possessing hashish.

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German social criticism,

"The Tin Drum",

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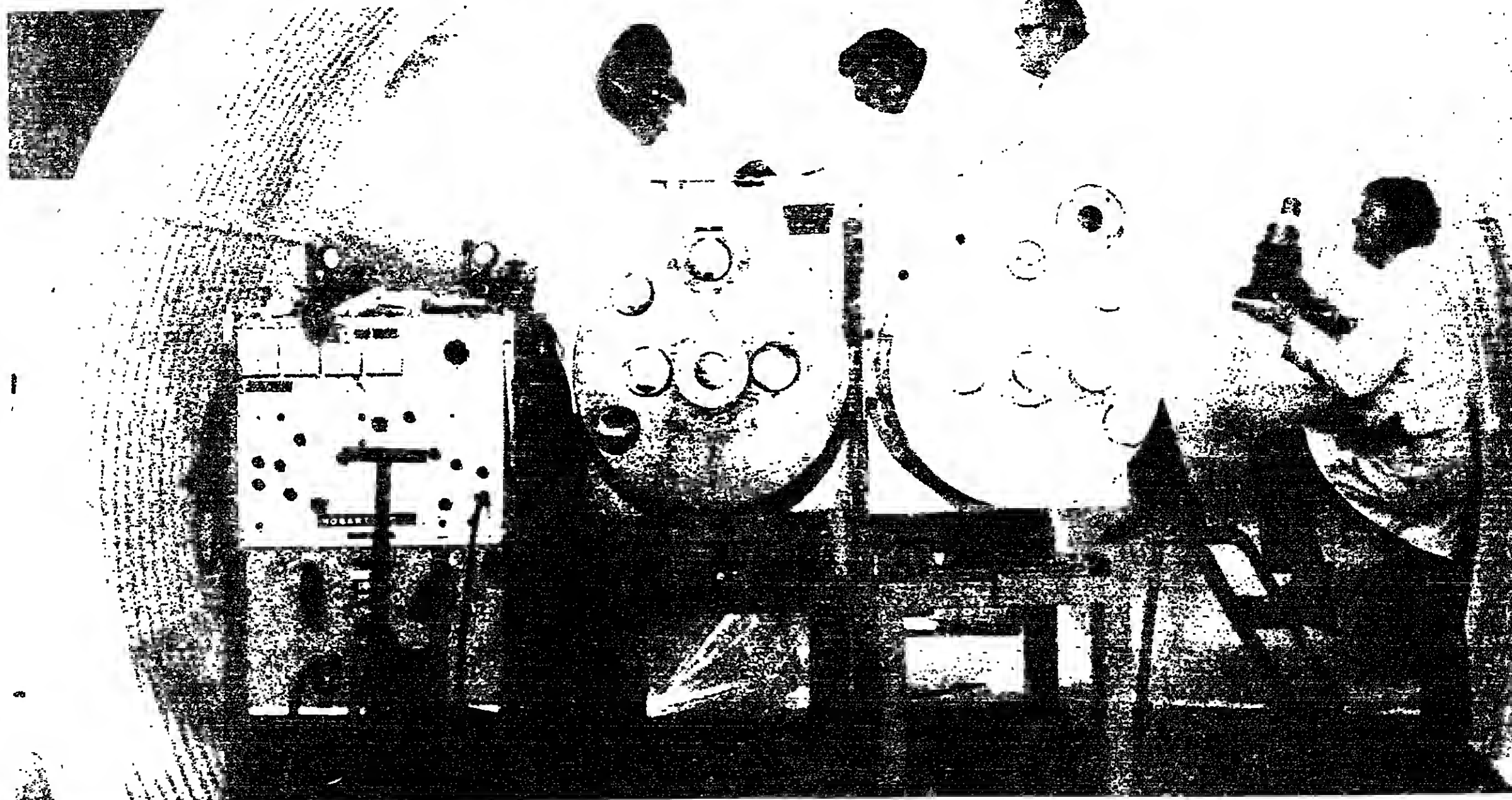
Berlin—The author and a living version of a character from his novel were sitting across from each other in a film studio: Gunter Grass, the author of the famous novel "The Tin Drum" (right in photo) and David Ben-Net, twelve, who is playing the leading role of Oskar Matzerath in the film, "The Tin Drum". One of Gunter Grass's most successful books at home and abroad, it is being filmed some twenty years after its initial publication. The film is being made in Berlin, France, Yugoslavia and Poland under an international staff of directors headed by Volker Schlöndorff. The film has a budget of DM 7 million, the most expensive

German film made thus far in the post-war period. Grass' novel is set mainly in his native city of Danzig in the years between 1933 and 1945. The main character is Oskar Matzerath, a spiteful being that stopped growing when he was three years old. He views his bourgeois surroundings with malicious, lascivious eyes, recognizing the devious aspects of everyday life and turning it into something grotesque. The political confusion of the period takes place in the background, but it is fully present just the same. A lot of time was spent looking for a young person who could play the part of the dwarfed tin drummer. He was found in the son of the well-known

German actor Heinz Lent. David, even though is already twelve, measures 117 centimeters as a result of a growth maly, and his face possesses such expressive features that he is fully able to play the role of the dwarf. Gunter Grass repaid the living version, Oskar Matzerath a winning outdoor shoot in Berlin-Neukölln, and trained graphic artist made a drawing of a left quite impressed flesh-and-blood real of his novel character though he commented that the fiction was necessarily impossible to depict in real life of the diversity of his characteristics. (ph)

Accelerator stimulates protons

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Mockup of ISABELLE, a new type particle accelerator under construction at the Brookhaven National Laboratory in New York. The facility, to be completed by 1985, is expected to produce energies up to 300,000 million electron volts to enable scientists to come closer to an understanding of the basic forces of nature. Beams of protons contained in two huge rings of superconducting magnets will collide head-on to provide the great energy release. (ICA)



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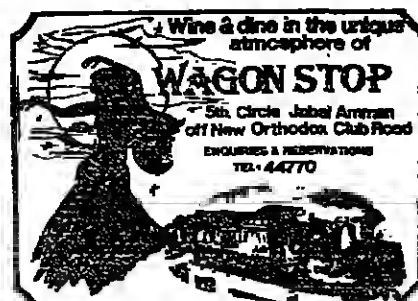
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Carter acknowledges China may have delayed new SALT agreement

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 (R) — President Carter has acknowledged for the first time that U.S. recognition of China may have held up a new Strategic Arms Limitation (SALT) pact with the Soviet Union.

Washington and Moscow are close to clinching a second SALT treaty, after which Mr. Carter will invite Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev to the U.S. for the signing ceremony.

But in a recent television interview, Mr. Carter said he did not know when Mr. Brezhnev would come. As recently as mid-December, such a summit had been expected to take place in the middle of this month.

Mr. Carter said Moscow had publicly and officially denied there was any link, but he and his advisers got the impression the SALT talks might have been affected by the new Washington-Peking ties. "I think there was

possibly some inter-relationship in the Soviet's minds about this," he said.

The president said that another possible reason for the delay was the forthcoming visit by Chinese Vice-Premier Deng Xiaoping (Teng Hsiao-ping), who will arrive on Jan. 28 for a nine-day stay to mark the new diplomatic ties.

"Possibly also, they felt that the visit by Deng Xiaoping at the end of January might be too close to a visit in the middle of January, as the Soviets had suggested, by President Brezhnev," Mr. Carter added.

When he announced on Dec. 15 that the United States was nor-

malising relations with China from Jan. 1, the president said he did not believe the action would have any adverse effect on the SALT talks.

The following week, Secretary of State Cyrus Vance met Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko in Geneva for a round of SALT talks that had been expected to end the lengthy negotiations. But after their talks, the two men said there were still some outstanding issues.

They added, however, that those issues could be resolved at a lower level among the two sides' SALT delegations and that another ministerial-level meeting would not be necessary.

"We have almost concluded the SALT negotiations," Mr. Carter said in an interview. "There are some minor but important issues to be agreed. We are working on it, and my hope is that they will be concluded without delay."

U.K. rejects Soviet warnings against arms sales to China

LONDON, Jan. 20 (R)—British Prime Minister James Callaghan has rejected Soviet Premier Leonid Brezhnev's warnings against selling arms to China, informed sources said yesterday.

Officials said Mr. Callaghan had sent a letter to Mr. Brezhnev replying to his two warnings that the sale of British arms to Peking could damage Anglo-Soviet relations and East-West détente.

China is seeking to buy Britain's revolutionary jump-jet Harrier aircraft, apparently to deploy along its border with the Soviet Union.

Officials declined to disclose details of Mr. Callaghan's letter. But they pointed out that Foreign Secretary David Owen had said in Parliament that Britain did not accept that it was reasonable for any other country to dictate its foreign policy.

An informed source said: "Mr. Callaghan has made clear that any sale of defensive weapons to China need not impair East-West détente or harm Anglo-Soviet relations."

The question of any sale of Harriers will be discussed when Britain's industry secretary, Eric Varley, visits Peking next month. Mr. Callaghan has already made clear that he would only want to sell the Harriers as part of a bigger Anglo-Chinese trade package.

He sent his letter to the Soviet leader after talks in Guadeloupe earlier this month with President Carter. French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing and West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, who all agreed they do not want to improve relations with China at the expense of those with the Soviet Union, officials said.

Americans to be presented with 'very austere' budget

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 (R)—President Carter will present Americans on Monday with what he calls a very austere budget which would increase military spending but cut social welfare funds.

Government sources predict that the budget, the largest for any country, would total more than \$330 billion for the 1980 financial year starting next Oct. 1. The current year's total is \$493 billion.

"This is a very austere, tough, stringent budget but it is fair," the president told a press conference this week.

He is determined to balance his administration's budget by 1981. As a first step, he plans to cut the current deficit from \$38 billion to about \$29 billion in 1980.

However, under pressure from the Congress and military advisers, the president reluctantly decided he could not go back on a commitment to NATO allies to raise defence spending by around three per cent, after allowing for inflation, government sources said.

Mr. Carter insisted that his budget, while dedicated to his fight against inflation, would not be vindictive. He said it would include an increase of \$4.5 billion for America's poorest people. "We have not neglected the needs of the disadvantaged Americans, the poor and those out of work," he said.

But he acknowledged in a television interview that he is bound to come under fire from both wings of his Democratic Party. The party liberals will attack his commitment to more money for weapons at the expense of social reform. And the right wingers will claim that by barely fulfilling a modest commitment to America's Western allies, he is not spending enough money to counteract an increasing military threat from the Soviet Union.

Somoza rejects mediators' proposals

MANAGUA, Jan. 20 (R)—President Anastasio Somoza yesterday rejected international proposals aimed at settling Nicaragua's political crisis, declaring that "those who want me to abandon the country will have to do it by force."

The long-time strongman was referring to a key proposal that he go into voluntary exile if he lost a referendum to determine whether he should remain in office or resign.

The general, dashing hopes of an early end to the violence rocking this Central American republic for a year, told a press conference: "I was born in Nicaragua, and I want to live here and not die in exile."

Spokesmen for the Foreign Ministry and the Chancellery said the talks with Prince Feisal were held in an open atmosphere. The Foreign Ministry said Mr. Genscher briefed his opposite number on the talks of the leaders of the U.S., France, West Germany and Britain on the Caribbean island of Guadeloupe earlier this month.

India ready to recognise Kampuchean Government

NEW DELHI, Jan. 20 (R)—Prime Minister Morarji Desai said today that India would recognise the new government in Kampuchea (Cambodia) when a request was received. "We have not received any request from the Kampuchean Government. As soon as we hear from them we shall recognise them."

India has been taking a cautious approach to the situation in Kampuchea, where Vietnamese-backed Kampuchean rebels have ousted the Chinese-supported government of Premier Pol Pot. The Indian Express newspaper said today that New Delhi was unhappy over the way the government fell in Phnom Penh, "through the troops and tanks of Vietnam."

President Sanjiva Reddy said recently that "powers, great or small, must be careful not to interfere in the internal affairs of independent nations."

World News Briefs

Rhodesians give Smith hostile reception

SALISBURY, Jan. 20 (R)—Prime Minister Ian Smith was given one of the most hostile receptions of his political career last night when he appealed to whites in Salisbury to vote "yes" to black majority rule. About two-thirds of the 800 people in the audience appeared grimly unimpressed by his arguments that whites had no choice but to yield Mr. Smith—in the midst of a campaign for a "yes" vote from 90,000 white electors in a Jan. 30 referendum on a black and white constitution—was hard pressed at times to make himself heard over howls of anger from the audience. He said Rhodesia had no alternative but to bow to black rule. South Africa, which he called the country's only friend in the world, insisted upon it. And South Africa, he patiently explained, supplied Rhodesia's oil and enabled it to survive international trade sanctions.

Libya, Italy sign trade, scientific pact

ROME, Jan. 20 (R)—Italy will buy more Libyan oil and the countries will form joint companies to fish in the Mediterranean south of Sicily under a trade and scientific agreement signed yesterday. Libyan Foreign Minister Ali Triki told a press conference the Libyan leader Muammar Qadhafi could soon visit Italy. Under the pact Italian firms will also take part in petrochemical and other projects in the Libyan Jamahiriyah.

Floods leave thousands homeless in Jakarta

JAKARTA, Jan. 20 (R)—Floods have killed at least nine people and left more than 13,000 homeless in this Indonesian capital, it was reported today. Torrential rains started on Thursday night, said several parts of the capital were still under 1.8 metres of water.

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

CAUMS
DEALL
TENCED
HENBID

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Print answer here: A

Yesterday's Jumbles: FABLE LIBEL FLIMSY HAWKER
Answer: Some animals in the western sheep country—"EWES"

THE Sunday Crossword

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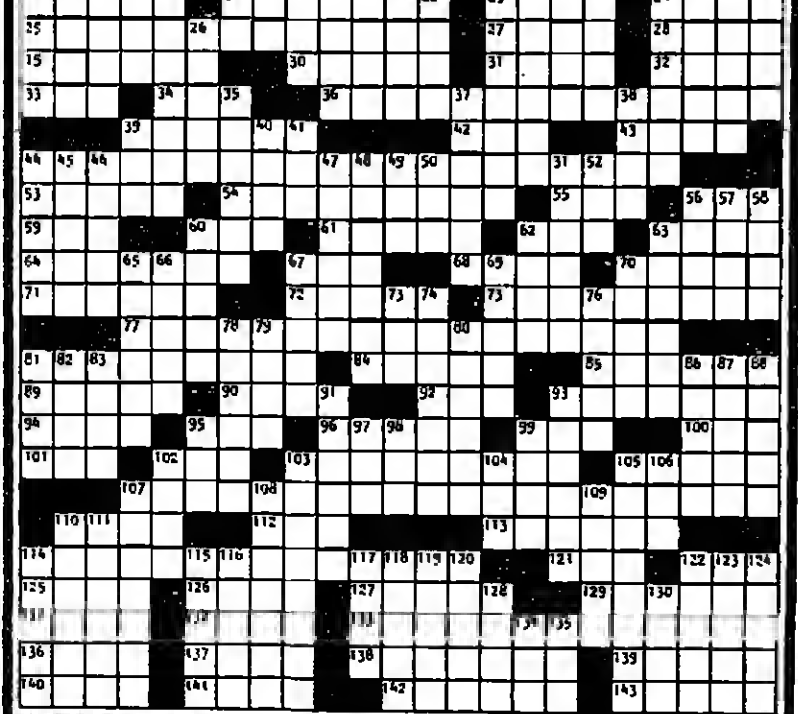
MISSTATEMENTS

By Jordan S. Lashier

- 1 Of vision
2 Opens the bottle
3 Near ending
4 Baby's word
5 Large door
6 Decade marked by WWII
7 Height
8 Comb. form
9 Syria, once
10 Trembling state?
11 Diamond or Sedula
12 Hard to find
13 Polka's place
14 Narcissus, for one
15 Sion
16 Defunct
17 NY paper, for short
18 Cutting
19 Carrying a state?

ACROSS

77 Torments a saint?
81 Contain feature
84 "Laughing" animal
85 Moved smoothly
89 Part
90 Lobo
92 Insect study, abbr.
93 Poorer
94 This Sp.
95 Miles
96 Senses
97 Papal cape
98 Bolger
99 Bator
100 OPEC's
101 Containing: suff.
102 Denial or
103 Well-known
104 Jeopardy
105 Sluggish
106 Capturing a state?



- 1 City on the Missouri
2 Modeled
3 November
4 Czech river
5 Control offices
6 Sauer
7 "—prose
8 Cut off
9 Anchor
10 Nero's instrument
11 Passover meal
12 Births

DOWN

13 Lettuce variety
14 Antelope
15 Fastballer
16 Ryan
17 Navarino
18 Of tennis
19 Art's resting place
20 Sion
21 "—prose
22 Cut off
23 Anchor
24 Nero's instrument
25 Passover meal
26 Births

- 101 Upright
112 Japanese statesman
113 Hawks
114 Sully's state?
121 Grace
122 Main and Elm str.
123 That
124 Always
127 Several
128 British
129 Rivers
130 Sensual
131 Reykjavik's friend: abbr.
132 Grip
133 State on the
134 One-time boxer Tony
135 Bull or duck
136 Whyming
137 Term
138 Terminal
139 Tyrant
140 Rubbings

Diagramless

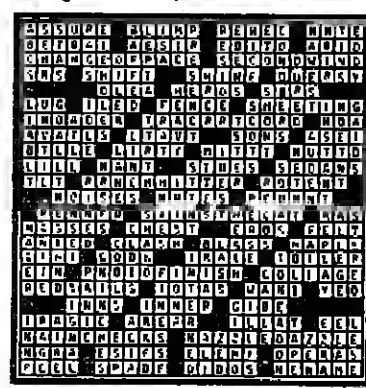
- 1 — out
2 Awakened
3 Truck stuff
4 Highway
5 Suit material
6 Single time
7 Part of the media
8 American
9 Indian
10 Building
11 Locations
12 Get ready
22 Hag

ACROSS

23 Bend
24 Avenger
25 Reminder
26 Come in
27 —de France
28 Eight
29 Comb. form
30 Require
31 Dandy
32 Mid-East
33 Right-hand
34 Topika's
35 State, abbr.
36 Kind of bucket

DOWN

7 Frolic
8 —about
9 Preserve, in a way
10 High wind
11 Greek god
12 Close relative
13 Whodunit
14 Deal out
15 Golf club
16 Racetrack
17 Skin opening
18 "Bus Stop" author
19 Thin



CRYPTOGRAMS

1. JEMELMET JOIBSATZ QREFF: E QEJLIQATZ
2. LUKM YHSECYU ZCAKEM LKTAORTEKAY XPH
3. CROY FROY SHESYPE CIMOA NIMFWSY PHONY
4. XLYT AJLYTN ABJNTQ WTQ AJE EYEEK WEJQ.

SOLUTIONS OF LAST WEEK'S PUZZLES

1. There are two kinds of people: those who think there are two kinds of people, and those who don't.
2. Ponder a bit: would politicians be allowed to enter an unpolluted paradise?
3. Terrified torpedos turn turtle and flip.
4. Slightly heavy gourmets may have diaphanous dough or diet.

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Carter reaches mid-term with 'new respect'

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 (R)—Midway through his first White House term, President Carter commands new respect for achievements which have erased his earlier image as a provincial amateur lacking leadership qualities.

Mr. Carter, inaugurated two years ago today after narrowly defeating President Gerald Ford, now has more political stature despite severe problems, including inflation and the possibility of recession.

In the eyes of some, he has improved his record mainly because he has lowered his sights and curbed his missionary zeal, giving only an impression of success after many failures.

But others give him high marks and feel he has begun to accumulate a record which should help him, as expected, seek re-election in 1980.

After a long struggle to establish his credentials, he suddenly overcame plunging opinion poll ratings with an impressive performance at the Camp David Middle East summit last September.

Camp David is still viewed as a major achievement for him, even though Egypt and Israel still have not concluded the peace treaty they agreed at the summit to sign.

There is general agreement that the president can draw satisfaction from his improving relations with a Congress which initially ignored him most of the time, his strengthened international stature, and increasing respect shown him by the press.

Two of his remaining problems are a failure to project the charisma that radiated from some of his predecessors, such as John F. Kennedy, and the threat posed by inflation and possible recession.

Public opinion polls, though more favorable, indicate that Americans feel they do not really know or understand their president and do not think he has forged an emotional bond with them.

This inability to communicate was acknowledged by Mr. Carter last year, when he revamped his staff and took steps to explain his policies—and himself—much more fully than in the past.

Inflation and recession are the major question marks over his future if he decides to seek another four-year White House term.

Many economists are beginning to believe that a recession, first expected to begin this year and to end well before the presidential election, will be delayed until the middle of 1980.

Politically, any increase in the current near double-digit inflation rate and the onset of a recession would be bad news for the president.

An economic downturn and rising unemployment to plague him just as he is about to campaign

would be even worse. The president's recent problems have included the turmoil in Iran and the departure of the Shah, as well as the deadlocked Egyptian-Israeli peace talks and steering a course of friendship with China without antagonizing the Soviet Union.

At home, he has moved to the right in the past six months because of inflation and nationwide demands for a reduction in government spending and taxes.

His new budget, to be presented to Congress on Monday and covering the period ending one month before the presidential polling in 1980, will break with the political tradition of expansion in an election year.

The budget will cut billions of dollars from the growth of social programs, despite strong opposition from liberals in his own Democratic Party, the risk of a party split and a recession with the approach of the presidential election.

Whatever the future brings, however there is a consensus that Mr. Carter has turned his once-faltering presidency around with a new image of self-assurance and experience.

Mr. Carter, who came to the White House with no national experience and determined to head the political establishment to his will, has learned to consult and adapt to the realities of shared power.

In turn, Congress now is paying more heed to the man who arrived in Washington as an obscure peanut farmer and former governor of Georgia.

The president's handling of foreign policy received a big boost from French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing, British Prime Minister James Callaghan and West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt at the Guadeloupe summit earlier this month.

Whatever policy differences remained, and all four described them as inconsequential, they were apparent as the three West European leaders rallied around Mr. Carter and strongly supported him on crucial issues.

They backed him in negotiations for a new agreement limiting strategic arms (SALT) with the Soviet Union and said they knew he would not use the opening of normal Sino-American relations to damage détente with Moscow.

Stressing their confidence in the president, Mr. Callaghan and Mr. Schmidt went so far as to say that despite some trouble spots the world situation was better than it was two years ago—when Mr. Carter took office.

The president will face problems when he makes his expected bid for re-election, but his successes in the past few months have given him new opportunities provided he is not brought down by inflation.

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